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MEDICAL DEVICES THAT STIMULATE GROWTH FACTOR

PRODUCTION

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Michael B. Lasky

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REQUEST FOR EXAMINER TO INITIAL REFERENCES ON FORM 1449

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated October 3, 2003, the Examiner returned copies of Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed September 13, 2002. However, a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 citing eight references was filed on March 19, 2003. Applicants have not received notification that these documents have been considered. The absence of an initialed PTO Form 1449 is believed to be an oversight as this material was submitted in a conforming manner and was not mentioned in the Examiner's Detailed Action as not being in conformance and not having been considered. The Examiner respectfully is requested to initial the Form 1449 in the space provided to indicate these documents have been considered.

Copies of the relevant sheets of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in question and the return post card having a Patent and Trademark Office date stamp of March 24, 2003 are enclosed to avoid any confusion. Copies of the references are not enclosed. However, if the Examiner deems it necessary, copies of the cited prior art will be resubmitted.

The Examiner respectfully is requested to telephone the undersigned if there is any question about the Request.

Respectfully submitted,

Altera Law Group, LLC Customer No. 22865

Date: January 5, 2003

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- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, copies of eight (8) references, Copy of European Search Report

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Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments that may be deemed necessary to Deposit Account Number 50-1038.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R.§1.97(c)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) respectfully submit(s) the items of information on the enclosed Form 1449 for the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified application.

The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 C.F.R. 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by the following:

Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1)

Each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of

the Information Disclosure Statement. Enclosed is a copy of the European - Search Report for placement in the file.

Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(2)

No item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure
Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a
counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned person,
after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the
accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual
designated in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the
Information Disclosure Statement.

The fee in the amount of \$\text{ as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p).}

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A copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is enclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) and/or a copy of each document is not provided because it was previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in a parent application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §.1.98(d). Applicants note reference U.S. Patent Number 6,124,131 was previously cited to the Examiner in an Information Disclosure Statement filed September 13, 2002.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103. In addition, Applicant(s) do(es) not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended, and reserve the right to establish otherwise under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 or others.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. According to M.P.E.P. §609, Applicant(s) request(s) that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments that may be deemed necessary to Deposit Account Number 50-1038.

Respectfully submitted,

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